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EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTICE

This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late RSGB IOTA Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the readers with a consolidated listing of the RSGB IOTA Contest participants.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT

According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Friday, 21st/July, through Friday, 28th/July there were 199 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5R, 5U, 5V, 5W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J3, J5, J6, J8, JA, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PY, PY0F, PZ, S0, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TN, TR, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9X, VP2E, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later".

7P, LESOTHO. Operators Quintus/ZS2KU and Vaughan/ZS2VR will be active as 7P8QM and 7P8VRR, respectively, from the Sani Stone Lodge (WW Loc. KG40PK) in the Sani Pass region between August 18-21st. Activity will be on 40/20/15 meters. QSL via their home callsigns. ZS2KU has applied for a 7P8QM LoTW account.

9X, RWANDA. Alan, KE4TA, reports, "I have just received my callsign (9X0TA) information from the RURA. I am still awaiting shipment of my permanent operating station, but with any luck I will be QRO in the next two weeks. QSL Manager is N4GNR. Radio will be Yaesu FT-991, antenna will be a Hexbeam on a push up tower. I'll be here for a total of three years, so plenty of time to work 9X. I will be active primarily be on 20 and 17 meters, but I will attempt an 80m loop antenna as well. If it works, I will be able to work 80 and 40 as well. Noise levels here are extremely high. Please don't be offended if I'm not answering your call, I likely can't hear you."

CARIBBEAN TOUR. John, WV0CQ, will be on a Caribbean cruise (Carnival Magic) between July 29th and August 6th, and plans to be active from the following locations:

WV0CQ/KP2 -- St. Thomas, USVI (he states hopefully) on August 1st, between 1430-1530z and again at 2330z

WV0CQ/KP4 -- Puerto Rico (he states hopefully) on August 2nd, between 1230-1330z and again at 2300z

WV0CQ/MM -- Maritime Mobile; "various dates" between July 29th and August 6th, 1000-1200z; states, "I will try to have coords. available during our exchange, I may or may not have grid square location done, you may need to do this yourself based on the coords. I give.

"This schedule is subject to change, depending on the XYL ", John states.

John, will be working on 20m SSB, somewhere between 14320-14347 kHz, and will be monitoring local repeaters and 147.52 MHz during his cruise. QSL via his home callsign, eQSL or LoTW.

FS, ST. MARTIN. John, K9EL, will once again be active as FS/homecall from St. Martin Island (NA-105, DIFO FS-001, WLOTA 0383, WW Loc. FK88) near the Orient Beach between November 30th and December 8th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters but will mainly be focused on the lower bands (160 and 80m). Operations will be on CW, SSB, RTTY and possibly PSK63. John usually will operate on 60m if there is interest. There will be daily uploads to ClubLog and LoTW. QSL via his home callsign or on ClubLog's OQRS. His operating frequencies (except during contests) will be announced in real time via Twitter at: https://twitter.com/FSK9EL
Requests for schedules can be sent via his QRZ.com E-mail address or his Twitter account @FSK9EL.

GREEN PARTY AND WWFF ACTIVITIES.....

VKFF-1164 -- By VK2JNG/P; August 1-2nd; Burral Yurrul Coordinated Conservation Area; 7144 kHz SSB; around 11:00am; this is a N/P, NOT a conservation area

Z3FF-0011 -- By Z31NA/P; August 3-10th 10:00 (UTC); Simeon, Z31NA, are going to work as Z31NA/P in holiday style from Ohrid Lake; 40-10m (depends of condition and propagation)

PAFF-0037 -- By PA/ON8WR; August 4-8th; camp site

VKFF-0587 -- By VK2JNG/P; August 4-5th; Dthinna Dthinnwan Coordinated Conservation Area; 7144 kHz SSB; around 11:00am; this is a N/P, NOT a conservation area

VEFF-0446 -- By VE2GT; August 5-6th; MONT-MEGANTIC NATIONAL PARK

KFF-1540 -- By W8MSC; August 5th; 1700-1900z; Sleepy Hollow SP, MI; on 20/40m SSB mostly. PSK and JTx digital modes possibly if time allows; casual camping vacation, operating mostly

after dinner, maybe other times if weather and schedule permits

OZFF-0004 -- By OZ/DF2SD; now until August 4th; many bands/modes; more info at: http://www.qrz.com/db/oz/df2sd

YLFF-155 -- By YL/LA9TKA; between now and August 1st; from Latvian summer cottage; active on SSB only and 20, 40 and 80m; info at: http://www.la9tka.com

VKFF-1875 -- By VK3TKK; July 31st; 0300-0700z; Point Cook Coastal Park; 7144 kHz SSB; on 80, 20 and 15 meters for about 60 mins max

RFF-0314 -- By R2017F; July 31st; 1100- 1500z; RN3ANT will active from "Meshchersky" Nature Park; on 20-30-40m bands mostly CW

PAFF-xxxx -- By PA/ON4BB/p; August 1-4th; from the PAFF areas 0028, 0029, 0038 and 0039; day and time depending on local weather conditions; usual bands and modes

VEFF-0345 -- By VE/KB0IBI; August 4-5th; Polar Bear Provincial Park on the Sutton River esturary at Hudson Bay, northern Ontario, Canada; on 20m, QRP, in the evening, as time and weather permits

KFF-0671 -- By KC3HRB; August 5-6th; at the Assateague Island National Seashore Oceanside Campground for the week; doing several activations while there; operating QRP

VKFF-0605 -- By VK2JNG/P; August 7-8th; Scone Mountain National Park; 7144 kHz SSB; starting around 11:00am

KFF-0671 -- By KC3HRB; August 8-9th; at the Assateague Island National Seashore Oceanside Campground for the week; doing several activations while there; will be operating QRP

VKFF-0585 -- By VK2JNG/P; August 8-9th; Dowe Coordinated Conservation Area; 7144 kHz SSB; around 11:00am; this is a N/P, NOT a conservation area

VKFF-1397 -- By VK2JNG/P; August 9-10th; Wondoba Coordinated Conservation Area; 7144 kHz SSB; around 11:00am; weather permitting (2 hours max)

VKFF-0518 -- By VK2JNG/P; August 11-12th; Warrabah National Park; 7144 kHz SSB; around 11:00 am

VKFF-0607 -- By VK2JNG/P; August 12th; 0300-0700z; Somerton Coordinated Conservation Area; 7144 kHz SSB; starting noon or a bit earlier; weather permitting

KFF-2895 -- By N4EE; August 12th; 1200-2000z; GIVANS FERRY STATE PARK; MULTI-OPS; PSK/CW/SSB/FM

For more information about WWFF upcoming operations, see:
http://wwff.co/agenda

Also suggest URLs:
World-Wide -- https://www.facebook.com/groups/WWFF44
USA -- https://www.facebook.com/groups/parksontheair

A special DXCluster for WWFF is available at: http://wwff.co/dx-cluster

IOTA NEWS.....

AF-064. (Update) Look for a group of 6 operators from South Africa to activate once again Robben Island, in the Western Cape Province South West Group, as ZS9V between August 9-13th. Operators mentioned are Paul/ZS1V, Jan/ZS1VDV, Andre/ZS1AN, Johan/ZS1A, Pierre/ZS6A and Oleg/ZS1ANF. This is the weekend BEFORE ILLW (lighthouse weekend). Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and possible the Digital modes. QSL via M0OXO or OQRS. For more details, see: http://zs9v.org.za

AS-040. Yasu, JA6WJL, will be active from Fukue Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Mixed-Mode/ High-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

AS-053. Haw, HS8HEX, will be active from Phuket Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th), where he has a permanent station. QSL via HS8HEX, by the Bureau or direct.

AS-126. Operators "X"/HS8JCV, HS9JZT and Chayakorn/HS9STL will be active as HS8JCV/P from Lipe Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Multi-Op/Mixed-Mode entry, operating on 40-10 meters. QSL via HS8JCV, direct, by the Bureau or eQSL.

AS-129. Xianyu, BD7PCA, will be active from Nan'ao Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th). QSL via BD7PCA.

AS-145. Noi, HS3NBR, will be active as HS3NBR/P from Maeo Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Mixed-Mode entry; operating on 40-10 meters. QSL via HS3NBR, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-005. Look for G6XX from Great Britain to be active during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via LoTW. G6XX is an historic RSGB callsign which has been reissued to the RSGB in 2017 after 90 years. See QRZ.com for details.

EU-013. members of the Jersey Contest Group and guest operator, Norbert, LX1NO, will be active as GJ2A from Jersey Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Multi-Op/Mixed-Mode entry. QSL via LoTW.

EU-020. Bjorn, SM0MDG, will be active as SM0MDG/1 from Gotland Island during (some casual operations) in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL only via LoTW.

EU-025. Alf, IT9MUO, will be active from Sicily Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Single-Op/UnAssisted/CW-Mode/ 12-HRs/Low-Power entry. QSL via IT9MUO, LoTW, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-034. Igor, ES0IA, will be active from Kassaar Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Single-Op/SSB-Mode/ Low-Power/12-HRs entry. QSL via ES0IA by the Bureau.

EU-049. Operators Makis/SV8AJN, Panos/SV8JNL and Tony/PY2DY/SY8APQ

will be active as SZ8LES from Lesvos Island during "select appropriate contest" as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via SZ8LES.

EU-057. Operators Hardy/DL3KWF, Roland/DL9GMN and Gun/DF2TG will be active as DF5A from Kap Arkona, Ruegen Island, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th). QSL via DL9GMN.

EU-075. Operators Manos/SV1PMR, George/SV1RP and Paul/SY1AKF will be active as SX8B from Salamina Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th).

EU-083. Members of the ARI La Spezia, will once again be active as IP1T from Isola del Tino (IFF IFF-218, IIA SP-002, MIA MI-114, ITA ITA-058, WLOTA 0645) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Multi-Op/1-Stn/Low-Power entry. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using low power, with antennas: Windom (80-10m) and a vertical 1/4 wave on 40 meters. QSL via I1ANP, direct or by the Bureau (preferred). Operators mentioned are Jul/I1SAF, Marco/IK1IXF, Mirco/IK1WVR, Antonio/IK8XVA, Enzo/IU1AAH, Felix/IK1ZVJ and Riccardo/IZ1JOE.

EU-084. Rune, SM5BAX, will once again be active as SM0S from Ornoe Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. QSL via SM5BAX.

EU-096. Tony, OH1TD, will be active as OF1TD from Korpo Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Single-Op/SSB-Mode/12-Hrs entry. QSL via LoTW, or via his home callsign by the Bureau or direct.

EU-101. Teemu, SM0W, will once again be active as OH/SM0W from Berggrund Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30st) as a Single-Op/Island-DXpedition/Low-Power entry. QSL via SM0W.

EU-105. Operators Didier/F6DXE, Christophe/F4ELI and Andy/F4ELK have cancelled their trip to Vierge Island as TM5VI for the RSGB IOTA contest.

EU-120. Members of the Addiscombe Amateur Radio Club will once again be active as G4ALE/P from the Isle of Wight during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Multi-1/DXpedition/Low-Power entry. Operators mentioned are Peter/G3SJX, Steve/G3UFY, Mike/G3VYI, and Steve/G4SDM. They will be using wire antennas. QSL via G3VYI.

EU-121. Members of the Stockport Radio Society will be active as EJ8KO from Arranmore Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL by the Bureau to G0SYP or LoTW. Operators mentioned are YL Sarah/2E0KUH, Carsten/G0SYP, Bernard/G3SHF, Tom/M0DCG, Evan/M0TJU, Pete/M1PTR and Kieron/M5KJM.

EU-126. Operators Pekka/OH8NR, Ulla-maija/OH8ZZ, Jarmo/OH8JK and Marko/OH8KVY will be active as OH8AA from Selkasarvi Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Multi-1/Island-DX-pedition entry. QSL via OH8AA.

EU-131. Sergio, IZ3NXC, will be active as IZ3NXC/P from Pellestrina Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest as a Single-Op/SSB-Mode entry. QSL via IK3GES, direct or by the Bureau. NO eQSL.

EU-131. Giulio, IW3HVB, will be active as IW3HVB/P from Fisolo Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Unassisted/SSB-Mode/24-Hrs/Island-Dxpedition/Low-Power entry. QSL via IW3HVB.

EU-132. Przemek, SP7VC, will once again be active as SP7VC/1 from Wolin Island between July 28-30th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/SSB-Mode entry. QSL via LoTW.

EU-146. Maarten, PA3EYC, will be active as PI4AMF/p from Goeree Overflakkee during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Multi-2 entry. Operators are PA3EYC, PA2LO and PD0PIW. QSL via PA3EYC.

EU-170. Mauro, IV3AZV, will be active as 9A/IV3AZV from Pag Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Single-Op/CW-Mode/Low-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign.

EU-172. Dan, DL5SE, will be active as 5P5CW from Langeland Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Single-Op/CW-Mode/Island-DXpedition/12-Hrs/High-Power entry. QSL via DL5SE.

NA-026. Mike, N2GC, will be active as N2GC from Long Island, NY, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to N2GC.

NA-029. Operator Ken, K6LA, will once again operate from Prince Edward Island in eastern Canada using the VY2TT superstation (Grid Square FN76vs, CISA PE-001) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Mixed-Mode/24-Hrs/High-Power entry. QSL via K6LA direct.

NA-034. Dennis, W2DEN, will be active from City Island (Peninsula of Lido) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Single-Op/SSB-Mode (Saturday only)/Non-Assist entry. QSL via W2DEN.

NA-042. Mikhail, VE7ACN, will be active as AL3/AA7CH from Hinchinbrook Island, Alaska, between August 9-15th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign or LoTW.

NA-055. Operators Bert/N4CW and Jim/W4TMO will be active as K1IMI [the Al Michaud Memorial Club callsign] from Little Deer Isle, Maine, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Multi-1 entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to N4CW. NO Bureau.

NA-058. Jeff, KU8E, will be active as a portable from Jekyll Island, GA, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Single-Op/CW-Mode entry. QSL via KU8E.

NA-065. Yuri, N3QQ, will be active as N3QQ/p from Whidbey Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Mixed-Mode/High-Power entry. QSL via N7RO.

NA-067. Nathan, N4YDU, will be active as NR3X/4 from Pea Island, NC, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Mixed-Mode/Low-Power entry. Activity will be part-time, battery power and vertical antenna. QSL via N4YDU direct.

NA-068. Jean, VE2VIA, will be active as VE2VIA/VE9 from Lameque Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th). QSL via VE2VIA.

NA-111. Steve, AG2J, will be active from Seven Mile Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th). QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau, LoTW or eQSL.

NA-157. Mikhail, VE7ACN, will be active as NL6/AA7CH from Kayak Island, Alaska, between August 18-28th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign or LoTW.

OC-016. Wes, ZL3TE, will once again be active as 3D2SE from Viti Levu (OC-016) while on a business trip. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) as a Single-Op/CW-Mode/24-Hrs/Low-Power entry. Operations outside the contest will mainly be casual on CW, with some Digital modes. QSL via LoTW or ZL3TE.

OC-042. Mike, W6QT, will be active as DU3/W6QT from Luzon Island in the Philippines between September 1st and December 31st. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using various modes. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau, LoTW or eQSL.

ISLAND HOPPING (Update/Change). "The DAILY DX" reports that Randy, WW6RG, has a schedule change while visiting some of the four islands during July

and August. He will operate some short SSB QRP operations. Look for him to be on the following islands:

KH9 - Wake Island; WW6RG/KH9; propagation was very poor during his last visit; he worked only 4 stations -- next visit August 18th; watch around 0330z and 0730z on 14205 kHz; and again around 0545z; US General ops listen for him around 14235 after 0600z.

V7 - Marshall Islands (from Kwajalein Atoll); V73/WW6RG; next visit will be August 22nd and 24th; watch for him on 14205 kHz between 0330z and 0800z; and again at 0545z around 14235 kHz; this time he will be running 100 watts

V2 - Antigua & Barbuda; V25RA; on August 5th and 6th; watch around 14230 kHz; SSB running 5 watts

ZD8 - Ascension Island; ZD8RA; on August 8th; watch between about 0800z and 1030Z around 14205 kHz; and again between 1530z and 2000Z; running QRP

QSL all operations via his home callsign WW6RG. He does not use LoTW or eQSL.

ISWL CALLSIGNS (For August). The following ISWL club callsigns will be used throughout the month of August 2017:

GX4BJC/A - Operated from Lambourn, in Berkshire, by John, G0GWK (/A WAB Square SU37 - England, IOTA EU-005, WLOTA 1841).

MX1SWL/A - Operated from Lydney, in Gloucestershire, by Chris, G0SDD (/A WAB Square SO60 - England, IOTA EU-005, WLOTA 1841).

ALL QSLs will be handled by Herbie, G6XOU, and NOT the individual operator. The I.S.W.L. is a member of the European PSK Club. All QSL info is on or or via .
NO LoTW. I.S.W.L. Awards are available to all Hams and SWLs, see for full details. eQSL.cc cards ARE welcomed for their awards.

PACIFIC TOUR (5W and YJ). Bert, CX3AN, will be signing 5W0HA from Upolu Island (OC-097), Samoa, between August 19-26th. Activity will be holiday style using 100 watts into dipoles. QSL via his home address. The week after, Bert will be visiting Efate Island (OC-035) in Vanuatu. He has applied for a temporary license, but still has no answer from the YJ authorities.

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN. Ed, WA1ZAM, will once again be active as PJ7PL from the Royal Palm's between October 20th and November 5th. Activity will include operations in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. Outside of the contest, activity will be

holiday style on 30-10 meters using SSB and RTTY, possibly CW -- depending on what he brings down. QSL WA1ZAM.

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (July 31st-August 6th).....

Jul/31st	HN	Aug/03rd	HN	Aug/05th	BN
Aug/01st	AN	Aug/04th	HN	Aug/06th	BN
Aug/02nd	AN				

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

NORMALITY	GEOMAG	K Values	Alpha
AN - Above Normal	Quiet	K=0-1	0-7
HN - High Normal	Unsettled	K=2	8-15
LN - Low Normal	Active	K=3	16-29
BN - Below Normal	Minor Storm	K=4	30-49
DIS - Disturbed	Major Storm	K=5	50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed	Severe Storm	K=6-9	100-400

REALTIME BAND CONDITIONS WEB SITE :
The purpose of this experimental Web site is to provide 24-7-365 actual (REALTIME) band condition information to CW QRPp, QRPe and CW/SSB for Contesters interested in increasing their scores. It can also be of benefit to other Radio Amateurs to determine band conditions for Nets and casual QSO's. This information is NOT based on any software predictions or any kind of satellite based readings. It is based on a new Ionospheric sounding method called "HF Ionospheric Interferometry" which operates very similarly to the PolSAR system used by NASA.

Also, check out the VOACAP predication Web page at:
http://www.voacap.com/prediction.html
A daily HF radio wave propagation forecast can be found at:
https://www.facebook.com/thomasfranklingiellaw4hm
Also on Twitter: https://twitter.com/@GiellaW4hm

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

QSL-INFO from DB0SDX by Lothar, DL1SBF...

4O/US0VA via US0VA	HG17WWW via (HA-B)	P40X via DL8UD
4X/EA3HSO via N4GNR (d/L)	II2FIST via IZ2FME	R1591M via RK3AW
8Q7PW via G4PWO	IS0/G4DJX via G4DJX	R17CWB via R17CWB (L/e)
9A/S59A via S59A	IS0/IK2QEI via IK2QEI	R17CWC via RD9CX
9M2/IK2PFL via IK2PFL	IS0/OE9HRV/P via OE9HRV	R17CWD via (L/e)
AM625VQ via EA6VQ	IT9/IZ2ZTR via IZ2ZTR	R280TLT via R4IT
AM725QL via EA7QL	JW/ON6FDP/P via ON6FDP & (L)	RA17CW via RA17CW (L/e)
BG4/IK7YTT via IW7EGQ	K1T via W7UUU & (L)	RD17CW via RD17CW (L/e)
CS7/DO3HK via DO3HK	KP2/N5PV via N5PV & (L)	RG50SP via RC3M (d)
DL/OZ1KAH via OZ1KAH	LA/DL3YDX via DL3YDX	RJ17CW via RJ17CW (L/e)
DR1517LU via DK1DSA	LA/OK1XC via OK1XC	RK17CW via RK17CW (L/e)
EI/EA6SX via EA6SX	LY/SN0WFF via SP5C	RU17CW via RU17CW (L/e)
GB5GHT via M0XIG	LZ114RF via LZ1YE (d)	SC40VIC via SM6JSM
HF100LZ via SP4FIY	OE/DJ1AA/M via DJ1AA	SV9/DK9PY via DK9PY
HG17BF via (HA-B)	OE/DJ1AA/M via DJ1AA	SV9/WB2GAI/P via WB2GAI

HG17BT via (HA-B) OH0JV via DL7RV T88GA via JA7XBG (d/L)
HG17DA via (HA-B) P4/DF4XX via DF4XX (L/C) TF/SM6YOR via SM6YOR
HG17HA via (HA-B) P4/DL7AC via DL7AC TM5GTW via F5KFL
HG17SW via (HA-B) P4/DL8UD via DL8UD ZL2/2E0UGO via 2E0UGO

(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (*-B) DX's- Bureau
(O) OQRS only (C) ClubLog only (L) LoTW only **Your QSL is not needed

*** WOW... Slow week again for QSL info!!!!

QSLS RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5B4VL, B7CRA (AS-143), CN8YZ, DA3X, DJ5MW, EA8CDJ, EA7DIU, F4GGJ, F5BZB, G6RC, HD2RRC (SA-034), IZ4JUK, JE2PMC, LW5DD, MI0M, PA0HWB, PU2SDX, PY2TTE, RW9UB, TA1CM, VK4HG, XX9D, YT4A, ZS1BHJ and ZS8Z

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3DA0FA, C6ADX, C6AJR, FO/JI1JKW, GB13COL, JW2US, LB1AH/p (EU-055), PJ2BR, VU4YC and VY2SS

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!!!

SILENT KEY. Murray Adams WA4DAN, informs OPDX, "It is with great sadness that I must report that Gary Bartlett, VE1RGB, passed away Saturday evening (July 22nd) surrounded by his loving family. Gary was an avid contester and had participated in four Sable Island DXpeditions, including the 2013 CYOP and 2014 CY0C operations. Gary was a CW purist and had commented many times that he didn't own a microphone. Gary was very instrumental in providing logistical support for all of the recent CY0 DXpeditions. He will be sorely missed by the Amateur Radio community, Contesters and his CY0 DXpedition team mates". OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of VE1RGB.

T41, CUBA. A large team of operators from the Pinar del Rio filial of the FRC (Federación de Radioaficionados de Cuba) will be active from Faro Roncali (ILLW CU-0002) located in the most western point of the island, during next ILLW using the callsign T41FR. The activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and PSK-31. QSL only via direct including SASE to: P.O. BOX # 253, Pinar del Rio, 20100, Cuba.

T48, CUBA (LH Op). Look for a team of Cuban hams from coastal town of Gibara in Holguin Province to operate during the International Lighthouse and Lightship Week End [ILLW] (August 18-20th) as T48LHH from Punta Rasa Lighthouse, 3 km North off Gibara. Activity will be 160/80/40/20/10/2 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Operators mentioned are CO8HH, CO8YWK, CO8FS, CM8MLK, CM8AY, CL8CSV and possibly others.

V3, BELIZE. Robert, DL7VOA, and his XYL will be following the tracks of the Maya in Central America with their final recreational stay in Belize. Robert plans to be active as V34AO from Hopkins in Belize between November 18-30th. The QTH will be directly on the beach of Hopkins with every QSO made viewing over the Caribbean Sea. As usual, operating will take place in "holiday style" mainly on CW during the local evening and night hours

(maybe some SSB, no digital). Robert will have his little Elecraft K2 with him running 100 watts into a 10m fiberglass pole with vertical dipoles on 10/12/15/17/20m, ground-planes for 30m/40m or an Inverted L for 80m. He will join the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power, with the only focus on having fun in pile-ups. He states, "The contest weekend will be (mostly) mine, but during the rest of the time please understand that during day time there are other important holiday activities to be undertaken with my wife like relaxing, snorkeling, flying my drone, etc. instead of conducting a 100% DXpedition (which does not mean that I never show up on the bands during day time). I already have a license for the regular callsign V31EO, but I have also applied for the short term special callsign V34AO, and I am very optimistic that it will be issued to me as well. Depending on the limitations I am planning to use the special call V34AO not only during the CQWW CW Contest, but also throughout my stay." All information (including a link with exact GPS coordinates and maybe later also some drone videos) can be found on the Web site: http://www.qrz.com/db/dl7voa
QSLs for both V34AO (or V31EO) are via DL7VOA, by the Bureau or direct.

V4, ST. KITTS AND NEVIS (Update/On the Bird). John, V47JA/W5JON, reports that his FT857 failed yesterday (July 23rd) during a SO-50 pass when he was about to call N8HM. He will be looking to borrow a UHF receiver from someone on the island to get back on SO-50. He will also be returning to St. Kitts in October if that fails.

VK9X & VK9C, CHRISTMAS AND COCOS (KEELING) ISLANDS (Update). Operators Peter/VK3FN, Chris/VK3FY, Lee/VK3GK, Luke/VK3HJ, Tony/VK3TZ and David/K3LP will activate both Christmas Island (OC-002) and Cocos (Keeling) Island (OC-003) in the month of October 2017. The team will start on Christmas Island as VK9XI between October 3-10th. During this time, they will be active during the Oceania DX SSB Contest (October 7-8th). The team will then move to Cocos (Keeling) Island and be active as VK9CI between October 10-17th. During this time, they will be active during the Oceania DX CW Contest (October 14-15th). For activity outside of the contest, operators will be active on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY, plus they will be running a 6m beacon. QSL via M0OXO - Bureau requests ONLY via M0OXO's OQRS. The operation now as a Web page at:
http://christmascocos2017.vkdxg.com/index.php/category/news

W9DXCC (Registration discount ends soon!). The July 31st deadline for discounted registration for the 2017 W9DXCC DX Convention and Banquet in suburban Chicago is rapidly approaching, so don't delay in ordering tickets. Discounted hotel rooms can also be booked now. The prize pool commitments now exceed $12,000, including a Yaesu FT DX 3000, Icom IC-7300 and many more. A partial list is posted at .
The 65th annual convention is Sept. 15-16th, 2017. The ARRL has approved the gathering as an "Operating Specialty Convention" and league President Rick Roderick, K5UR, will be the keynote speaker. Sponsored by the Northern Illinois DX Association, W9DXCC will also offer Contest University and DX University programs on Friday, with presentations for new and veteran DXers and contest operators. The day long session on Saturday will feature speakers, exhibits, QSL card checking and a CW pileup contest. The evening banquet is a time to relax and enjoy our keynote speaker. For non-ham family members, Woodfield Mall, which offers a wide array of shopping, is one traffic light south of the convention site at the Hyatt Regency

Schaumburg, 1800 East Golf Road. Updates at for new developments. For more information, contact: John McCormick,

XT2, BURKINA FASO (Update). Harald, DF2WO, will once again be active as XT2AW from Burkina Faso between September 28th and October 30th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. He states that he works mostly on the Digital modes (PSK31, JT65 and RTTY) and slow CW. Equipment is a FT-450D into a home-made HEX BEAM and a dipole for 40 meters. QSL via M0OXO, direct or OQRS .

The following stations are expected to be active in the
RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th, 2017)
For rules for the contest are available at:
http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2017/riota.shtml

Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following consolidated listing of the participants in the 2017 RSGB IOTA Contest. For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML format, please visit Bill's Web page at:

http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/iota2017.html (By Callsign)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/iotad2017.html (By DXCC Entity)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/iotai2017.html (By IOTA)

Contest Callsign	DXCC Entity	IOTA	Island	QSL Route-(B)Bureau/(C)ClubLog/ (e)eQSL/(L)LoTW/(d)direct
3D2SE	Fiji	OC-016	Viti Levu	LoTW; QSL via ZL3TE
5P5CW	Denmark	EU-172	Langeland	DL5SE
5P7LSO	Denmark	EU-088	Laesoe	OZ1KZX
9A/IV3AZV	Croatia	EU-170	Pag	
9A/OM2ZZ	Croatia	EU-170	Pag	OM2FY
9A/OM6NM	Croatia	EU-016	Korcula	OM2FY
9A8CV	Croatia	EU-136	Krk	eQSL
9A8DV	Croatia	EU-016	Drvenik Veli	IK6VXO
9A0AA	Croatia	EU-016	Vis	S59A
AA4V	USA	NA-110	Isle of Palms	
AG2J	USA	NA-111	Seven Mile	
AM625VQ	Balearic Islands	EU-004	Mallorca	LoTW; QSL via EA6VQ
B5C	China	AS-137	Qingbang	BA4TB
BG4TMC	China	AS-136	Chongming	BG4TMC
BD5UDN	China	AS-138	Pingtan	M0OXO
BD7PCA	China	AS-129	Nan'ao	BD7PCA
CF2NDX	Canada	NA-128	Ile d'Orleans	VE2TLH
CG2I	Canada	NA-128	Ile aux Coudres	LoTW; QSL via VE2EBK (d/C)
CR2V	Azores	EU-089	Flores	LoTW; QSL via HB9CRV
CR2G	Madeira	AF-014	Madeira	LoTW; QSL via (C)
CR5CW	Portugal	EU-145	Culatra	LoTW; QSL via CT7ACG
DF5A	Germany	EU-057	Ruegen	DL9GMN
DG5LAC/p	Germany	EU-042	Hooge	DG5LAC
DJ6OI/p	Germany	EU-127	Helgoland	DJ6OI
DJ7MH/p	Germany	EU-047	Spiekeroog	LoTW; QSL via (e)
DL5KUD	Germany	EU-057	Ruegen	ClubLog
DL5KVV/p	Germany	EU-129	Usedom	DL5KVV
DL6DQW/p	Germany	EU-129	Usedom	DL6DQW
DL0KWH/p	Germany	EU-129	Usedom	DL0KWH; QSL via (DARC-B/d/C)

DO7ES	Germany	EU-057	Ruegen	DO7ES; QSL via (e)
DR0F	Germany	EU-127	Neuwerk	DM4DL; QSL via (DARC-B/d)
E2T	Thailand	AS-125	Chang	LoTW; QSL via E21IZC (d)
E2X	Thailand	AS-107	Si Chang	LoTW; QSL via E20GMY
EA5HPX	Spain	EU-093	Tabarca	EA5HPX
EA6/DK5ON	Balearic Island	EU-004	Mallorca	LoTW; QSL via DK5ON (Bu/d/C)
EA8AQV	Canary Islands	AF-004	Gran Canaria	EA8AQV (d/e)
EA8CNR	Canary Islands	AF-004	Gran Canaria	LoTW; QSL via EA8CNR (d/e)
EI/ON6QR	Ireland	EU-121	Tory	ON6QR
EJ3HB	Ireland	EU-121	Bere	M0OXO
EJ8KO	Ireland	EU-121	Arranmore	LoTW; QSL via G0SYP (B)
ES0DJ	Estonia	EU-034	Muhu	
ES0GP	Estonia	EU-178	Manilaid	ES8GP
ES0IA	Estonia	EU-034	Kassaar	ES0IA
ES0V	Estonia	EU-034	Saaremaa	ES3VI
G4ALE/p	England	EU-120	Isle of Wight	G3VYI
G5XV	England	EU-120	Isle of Wight	G5XV
G6LD	England	EU-120	Lindisfarne	G0BWB
GB9IOW	England	EU-120	Isle of Wight	ON3UN
GJ2A	Jersey	EU-013	Jersey	LoTW
GM1J	Scotland	EU-092	Tanera Mor	MM0BQI
GM2T	Scotland	EU-008	Isle of Tiree	LoTW; QSL via GM4UYZ (Bu/d/C)
GM4U/p	Scotland	EU-008	Jura	G4SGX
GM7A	Scotland	EU-008	Lismore	GM7WCO
GM7V	Scotland	EU-010	Benbecula	N3SL
GU3HFN/p	Guernsey	EU-114	Guernsey	GU8ITE
GW6W	Wales	EU-124	Holy	LoTW; QSL via GW0ETF (d/email)
HS3NBR/p	Thailand	EU-145	Maeo	HS3NBR (d/B)
HS8HEX	Thailand	AS-053	Phuket	HS8HEX
HS8JCV/P	Thailand	AS-126	Lipe	HSJCV (d/B/e)
IF9A	Italy	EU-054	Favignana	IT9PPG
II3Y	Italy	EU-130	Barbana	IV3OSC
IM0/I0PNM	Italy	EU-165	S Peter	
IN3EQD/IA5	Italy	EU-028	Isola d'Elba	IN3EQD
IO7TA	Italy	EU-091	Pedagna Grande	IZ8EGM; QSL via (C)
IO9Z	Italy	EU-025	Sicily	IT9DSZ (B)
IP1T	Italy	EU-083	Tino	I1ANP (d)
IS0/G4DJX	Sardinia	EU-024	Sardinia	LoTW; QSL via G4DJX (d)
IS0/OM8A	Sardinia	EU-024	Sardinia	OM2VL
IT9MUO	Italy	EU-025	Sicily	IT9MUO
IT9RZU	Italy	EU-025	Sicily	LoTW; QSL via IT9RZU (B/d)
IW3HVB/p	Italy	EU-131	Fisolo	IW3HVB
IZ3NXC/p	Italy	EU-131	Pellestrina	IZ3NXC
JA6WJL	Japan	AS-040	Fukue	JA6WJL; QSL via (JARL-B/d)
JI3DST	Japan	AS-008	Shikine	JI3DS; QSL via (B/d)
K1IMI	USA	NA-055	Little Deer	N4CW
K4P	USA	NA-083	Chincoteague	N3JS
K5KUA/5	USA	NA-143	Galveston	K5KUA
KF5VDX	USA	NA-092	Padre	KF5VDX; QSL via (B/d)
KI4GGJ/p	USA	NA-213	Dauphin	LoTW; QSL via KI4GGJ and (e)
KN4Y/p	USA	NA-085	St George	LoTW
KS4YT/p	USA	NA-213	Dauphin	LoTW; QSL via KS4YT and (e)
KU8E	USA	NA-058	Jekyll	KU8E
KV4T/p	USA	NA-213	Dauphin	LoTW; QSL via KV4T and (e)
LA/OK1DBS	Norway	EU-056	Longva	
LA/OL7X	Norway	EU-056	Flemsoya	OK1XC
LA7XK	Norway	EU-061	Spjaeroy	LoTW; QSL via LA7XK (B/di/C)
MD/OO4O	Isle of Man	EU-116	Isle of Man	LoTW; QSL via ON4APU (B)

MM1E	Scotland	EU-123	Great Cumbrae	MM1E
MM0TFU/p	Scotland	EU-123	Isle of Arran	LoTW
N2GC	USA	NA-026	Long	LoTW
N3QQ/p	USA	NA-065	Whidbey	N7RO
NR3X/4	USA	NA-067	Pea	N4YDU (d)
OF1TD	Finland	EU-096	Korpo	LoTW; QSL via OH1TD (B/d)
OG5A	Finland	EU-140	Nuokot	OH5AD; QSL via (B/d)
OH/SM0W	Sweden	EU-101	Berggrund	SM0W
OH5TS	Finland	EU-140	Kuorsalo	LoTW; QSL via OH5TS (d)
OH8AA	Finland	EU-126	Selkasarvi	OH8AA
OH0X	Aland Island	EU-002	Brando	OH2TA
OZ/DF2SD	Denmark	EU-125	Fano	DF2SD
OZ/DJ4MF	Denmark	EU-172	Hjarno	DJ4MF; QSL via (DARC-B/d)
OZ/DL8MF	Denmark	EU-172	Samso	
OZ2PBS	Denmark	EU-029	Zealand	OZ2PBS
OZ8SW	Denmark	EU-029	Sjaelland	OZ8SW
OZ9V/p	Denmark	EU-172	Aero	LoTW
P40X	Aruba	SA-036	Aruba	DL8UD (d)
PA38EU	Netherlands	EU-038	Terschelling	PH9GFB (B)
PA5TT	Netherlands	EU-146	Schouwen Duiveland	
PI4AMF	Netherlands	EU-146	Goeree Overflakkee	PA3EYC
PW7I	Brazil	SA-046	Itamaraca	PY7RP (d)
PX8I	Brazil	SA-060	Itarana	PY8WW
PX8Z	Brazil	SA-060	Cotijuba	PX8Z
R66IOTA	Russia (Asia)	AS-066	Popov	UA0LCZ
RU6DX/p	Russia (Europe)	EU-185	Sudzhuk	RU6DX
S79NH	Seychelles	AF-024	Praslin	LoTW
SM5CKV/p	Sweden	EU-177	Harstena	M0OXO
SM0MDG/1	Sweden	EU-020	Gotland	SM0MDG
SM0S	Sweden	EU-084	Orno	SM5BAX
SN0RX	Poland	EU-132	Wolin	SP8BXL
SP7VC/1	Poland	EU-132	Wolin	LoTW
SV0XAF	Greece	EU-067	Paros	
SX5R	Dodecanese	EU-001	Rhodes	SV5DKL
SX8B	Greece	EU-075	Salamina	
SZ8LES	Greece	EU-049	Lesvos	
TX5EG	Marquesas	OC-027	Hiva Oa	F6BCW
UR1G	Ukraine	EU-179	Kalanch	UR8GX
V47JA	St Kitts & Nevis	NA-104	St Kitts	LoTW
VC1G	Canada	NA-126	Bon Portage	VA1YL
VC7A	Canada	NA-036	Vancouver	
VE2VIA/VE9	Canada	NA-068	Lameque	VE2VIA
VY2TT	Canada	NA-029	Prince Edward	K6LA
VY0/VA2NDX	Canada	NA-173	Charlton	F4BHW
W2DEN	USA	NA-034	Lido	W2DEN
W2IY	USA	NA-055	Mt Desert	W2IY
W2KV/2	USA	NA-111	Long Beach	W2KV
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